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SUBJECT: TANZANIAN DELEGATION TO ATTEND IMO MARITIME SAFETY
COMMITTEE MEETING IN ISTANBUL

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¶1. The Government of Tanzania's (GOT) delegation to the International Maritime Organization (IMO) meeting of the Maritime Safety Committee (MSC) in Istanbul, Turkey (November 29 to December 8) will take under consideration the United States' two proposals (reftel). Ms. Lucy Kachele, Deputy Director of Telecommunications at the Ministry of Infrastructure and head of the GOT delegation, agreed with EconCouns November 22 that the MSC needs to try to avoid delaying the implementation of the Long Range Identification and Tracking (LRIT) system. The Tanzanian delegation planned to discuss the United States' proposal that IMO assume the role of interim LRIT implementation coordinator during its November 28 delegation pre-meeting in Istanbul.

¶2. Kachele appreciated receiving the full text of the USG proposed amendments to IMO's Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), Chapter IV that would allow additional satellite service participants to participate in the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System. She said that this proposal would be also be considered by the GOT delegation and noted that the Tanzanian delegates were ready to discuss with members of the U.S. delegation should they have any concerns or questions about either proposal.
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